

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claim 5, amend claims 1, 7, 13-16, 18-21, 23, 27, and 31, and add new claim 39, as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A communication apparatus having a first portion, a second portion and a vibrator, the communication apparatus comprising:

a first detector configured to detect an operation to at least partially separate the first portion from the second portion;

a second detector configured to detect a missed event in the apparatus; and

a controller coupled to the first and second detectors and configured to determine whether the operation to at least partially separate the first portion from the second portion occurs after the missed event, and if so, to activate the vibrator responsive to the first detector detecting the operation to at least partially separate the first portion from the second portion if the second detector has detected the missed event.

2. (Original) The communication apparatus according to claim 1 wherein the detected missed event is a missed call.

3. (Original) The communication apparatus according to claim 1 wherein the detected missed event is an unread message.

4. (Original) The communication apparatus according to claim 1 wherein the detected missed event is a missed alarm time.

5. (Canceled).

6. (Original) The communication apparatus according to claim 1 wherein the first

and second portions are foldably coupled with each other, the operation including at least partially unfolding the first portion from the second portion.

7. (Currently Amended) A communication apparatus having a first portion, a second portion and a sound-emitting unit, the communication apparatus comprising:

a first detector configured to detect an operation to at least partially separate the first portion from the second portion;

a second detector configured to detect ~~an~~ a missed event in the apparatus; and

a controller coupled to the first and second detectors and configured to determine whether the operation to at least partially separate the first portion from the second portion occurs after the missed event, and if so, to activate the sound-emitting unit responsive to the first detector detecting the operation to at least partially separate the first portion from the second portion ~~if the second detector has detected the missed event.~~

8. (Original) The communication apparatus according to claim 7 wherein the detected missed event is a missed call.

9. (Original) The communication apparatus according to claim 7 wherein the detected missed event is an unread message.

10. (Original) The communication apparatus according to claim 7 wherein the detected missed event is a missed alarm time.

11. (Original) The communication apparatus according to claim 7, further comprising a memory coupled to the controller and configured to store a sound pattern, the controller further configured to control the sound-emitting unit in accordance with the sound pattern.

12. (Original) The communication apparatus according to claim 7 wherein the first and second portions are foldably coupled with each other, the operation including at least partially unfolding the first portion from the second portion.

13. (Currently Amended) A method in a communication apparatus having a first portion, a second portion, and a vibrator, the method comprising the steps of:

detecting an occurrence of an event in an apparatus;

~~detecting a missed~~determining that the event has been missed~~in the apparatus;~~

detecting an operation to at least partially separate the first portion from the second portion;~~and~~

determining whether the operation to at least partially separate the first portion from the second portion occurs after the event has been missed; and

responsive to determining that the operation to at least partially separate the first portion from the second portion occurs after the event has been missed, controlling the vibrator to vibrate~~responsive to the operation if the missed event has been detected.~~

14. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 13 wherein the ~~detected~~ missed event is ~~a missed~~an incoming call.

15. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 13 wherein the ~~detected~~ missed event is ~~an unread~~receipt of a text message.

16. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 13 wherein the ~~detected~~ missed event is ~~a missed~~occurrence of a predetermined alarm time.

17. (Original) The method according to claim 13 wherein the step of controlling includes controlling the vibrator according to a stored vibrating pattern.

18. (Currently Amended) A method in a communication apparatus having a first portion, a second portion, and a sound-emitting unit, the method comprising the steps of:

detecting an occurrence of an event in an apparatus;

~~detecting a missed~~determining that the event has been missed in the apparatus;

detecting an operation to at least partially separate the first portion from the second portion; ~~and~~

determining whether the operation to at least partially separate the first portion from the second portion occurs after the event has been missed; and

responsive to determining that the operation to at least partially separate the first portion from the second portion occurs after the event has been missed, controlling the sound-emitting unit to emit sound~~responsive to the operation if the missed event has been detected.~~

19. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 18 wherein the ~~detected missed-event~~ is an missed-incoming call.

20. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 18 wherein the ~~detected missed-event~~ is an unread receipt of a text message.

21. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 18 wherein the ~~detected missed-event~~ is a set occurrence of a predetermined alarm time.

22. (Original) The method according to claim 18 wherein the step of controlling includes controlling the sound-emitting unit according to a stored sound pattern.

23. (Currently Amended) A controller for use in a communication apparatus, the communication apparatus having a first portion, a second portion and a vibrator, the controller ~~comprising~~being coupled to a first detector configured to detect an operation to at least partially separate the first portion from the second portion; and to a second detector configured to detect a

missed event in the apparatus; and,

wherein the controller is ~~coupled to the first detector and second detector and~~ configured to determine whether the operation to at least partially separate the first portion from the second portion occurs after the missed event, and if so, to activate the vibrator responsive to the first detector detecting the operation to at least partially separate the first portion from the second portion~~if the second detector has detected the missed event.~~

24. (Original) The controller according to claim 23 wherein the detected missed event is a missed call.

25. (Original) The controller according to claim 23 wherein the detected missed event is an unread message.

26. (Original) The controller according to claim 23 wherein the detected missed event is a missed alarm time.

27. (Currently Amended) A controller for use in a communication apparatus, the apparatus having a first portion, a second portion, and a sound-emitting unit, the controller ~~comprising~~being couple to a first detector configured to detect an operation to at least partially separate the first portion from the second portion; and to a second detector configured to detect an missed event in the apparatus; and,

wherein the controller is ~~coupled to the first detector and second detector and~~ configured to determine whether the operation to at least partially separate the first portion from the second portion occurs after the missed event, and if so, to activate the sound-emitting unit responsive to the first detector detecting the operation to at least partially separate the first portion from the second portion~~if the second detector has detected the missed event.~~

28. (Original) The controller according to claim 27 wherein the detected missed

event is a missed call.

29. (Original) The controller according to claim 27 wherein the detected missed event is an unread message.

30. (Original) The controller according to claim 27 wherein the detected missed event is a missed alarm time.

31. (Currently Amended) A communication apparatus comprising:
a first portion;
a second portion coupled to the first portion; and
a controller configured to audibly notify a user of a missed event responsive to the first and second portions being opened ~~if there is a missed event~~.

32. (Original) The communication apparatus according to claim 31, further including a hinge coupled to the first and second portions are configured to open by unfolding at the hinge.

33. (Original) The communication apparatus according to claim 31 wherein the first and second portions are configured to open by sliding relative to one another.

34. (Original) The communication apparatus according to claim 31 wherein the missed event is a missed call.

35. (Canceled).

36. (Canceled).

37. (Previously Presented) The communication apparatus of claim 1, wherein the

operation occurs while the communication apparatus is in a standby state.

38. (Previously Presented) The communication apparatus of claim 1, wherein at the time that the controller activates the vibrator responsive to the first detector detecting the operation, there is no incoming call to the communication apparatus.

39. (New) The communication apparatus of claim 1, wherein the controller is further configured to not activate the vibrator responsive to the operation to at least partially separate the first portion from the second portion, based on a determination that the operation to at least partially separate the first portion from the second portion does not occur after the missed event.